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RE: Application Serial No.: 10/814,259

Applicants: Yuichi MASUTANI, et al.

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For: METHOD OF DRIVING LIQUID CRYSTAL

DISPLAY DEVICE Group Art Unit: 2629

Examiner: ABDULSELAM, A. I.

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Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance

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Respectfully submitted,

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The Examiner's statement of "Reason for Allowance," included as an attachment to the "Notice of Allowability" (PTOL-37) that is in turn attached to the "NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE AND FEE(S) DUE" mailed January 18, 2007, is believed to mistakenly suggest that independent Claim 3 is a method claim that includes the step of "setting" and the step of "inputting" that are quoted from independent method Claim 1. In this regard, the independent Claim 3 is a device claim that includes apparatus limitations, not steps.

Accordingly, the above-noted Examiner's statement of "Reason for Allowance" is respectfully submitted to be mistaken as to the subject matter of independent apparatus Claim 3 and apparatus Claim 4 that depends on Claim 3. Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that

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this statement of "Reason for Allowance" should be clarified as to the actual subject matter of at least independent device Claim 3.

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